*"Except the Lord Build the House*
*They labor in vain that Build It"*

# WOOD GREEN UNITED CHURCH
# EIGHTIETH ANNIVERSARY

*Wood Green City Wide Family Home Coming Fellowship to mark the Eightieth Anniversary and to inaugurate the Master Plan Building Fund for the New Church and School in the old neighbourhood (Queen and Booth)*

**MASSEY HALL, 7 p.m., 23rd October, 1955**

# OUR GRATITUDE!

The trustees and official Board members of the congregation of Wood Green are deeply grateful to the many friends who have made this Anniversary such a marked success and so encouraging for the future work of this down-town east-end parish.

We find it almost embarrassing to list the names of all who have played such an important part on this historic occasion and while we are anxious to assure each and every individual of our very warm personal thanks, we take this opportunity of thanking them whole-heartedly and on an all-inclusive basis. You have all been most magnificent and generous in your response and do please accept this very sincere and heart-warming word of thanks.

THE MINISTERS
RAY MCCLEARY
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# MASSEY HALL SERVICE

SERVICE OF MUSIC — 6.30 - 7.00 P.M.

1. Metropolitan Silver Band — *Leader:* Mr. Alan Wood
2. Wood Green Boys' Band — *Leader:* Mr. Jimmie Victor

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Reverend R. Douglas Reid, B.A., S.T.M. } Wood Green
Reverend Ray McCleary, M.B.E., D.D. } Ministers

*CALL TO WORSHIP*
*Introit:* "Bless This House"
The Leslie Bell Singers — Dr. R. Leslie Bell, *Conductor*
*Prayer of Invocation:* Reverend James Finlay, D.D.
Carlton Street United Church; President of Toronto Conference

*HYMN OF PRAISE*
"Jesus Shall Reign"

*ANTHEM* — "Unto the Hills", "As Pants the Hart"
Queen Alexandra School Choir — Miss Helen Ward, *Conductor*

*EVENING LESSON* — Luke 8: 4 - 15
Reverend Wesley A. Morris B.A., B. D.
Minister of Simpson Avenue United Church

*EVENING PRAYER*
Reverend R. Douglas Reid, B.A., S.T.M.

*ANTHEM* — "The King All Glorious"
Wood Green Choir and Soloist Gladys Smith — Mrs. Eloise Luck, *Conductor*

*HYMN*
"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

*THE SERMON* — "God's Expectation"
Reverend C. Andrew Lawson, B.A., B.D., D.D.
Timothy Eaton Memorial Church

*CHORAL* — "The Heaven's Are Telling", "Worthy Art Thou"
Riverdale Collegiate Choir, Dawson Woodburn, *Conductor*

*THE OFFERTORY* — The Metropolitan Silver Band
The Doxology — Congregation and Massed Choirs
All funds over the expenses will be placed in the Master Plan Building Fund.
Remember we will need $500,000. for the New Church and Church School.
Mr. George Smith, Chairman of the Board of Stewards will present a
token of the congregation — $80,000. towards the new Church to
Chairman of Trustees — Mr. Fred Balmer.
A "Huge" cheque presented by two members of Junior Chapel
Shirley Stevens, Derek Johnson

SERVICE OF FELLOWSHIP

*SING SONG OF OLD FAMILIAR HYMNS*
Mr. Harvey Gillam, *Leader* — Alice Cestnick at the Piano

*HYMN*
"Faith of Our Fathers"

*THE SERVICE OF RE-AFFIRMATION OF WEDDING VOWS*
Wedding Music by Metropolitan Silver Band
The Vows: Reverend Ray McCleary, M.B.E., D.D.
Reverend R. Douglas Reid, B.A., S.T.M.
Prayer: Reverend Frank Brisbin, B.A., B.D.
Minister, Metropolitan Church
"Where Ere Ye Walk", Handel
The Leslie Bell Singers — Conductor Dr. Leslie Bell

*RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS*

A token group, representing the New Families will come to the Platform:

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Crouch and Family, Boulton Ave. — Canada

Mrs. Rose King, Lewis St. — England

Mr. and Mrs. George Stewart and George, King St. East — Scotland

Mr. John Hudson, Tennis Cres. — Ireland

Mr. and Mrs. Horst Mesmer and Family, Booth Ave.
Mr. and Mrs. George Blank and Family, Birchmount Ave. } — Germany

Mrs. Fiala Nuk and sons Manfred and Peter, Colgate Ave. — Austria

Mr. Dragic Popov, Boulton Ave. — Yugoslavia

Mr. and Mrs. Hideo Tamaki and Family, DeGrassi St. — Canadian-Japanese

Mr. and Mrs. Don Askell, McGee St. — Canada

New Neighbors — "All One in Christ, No East or West"

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION* — Reverend Wesley A. Hunnisett, D.D.

Fred Victor Mission (Who also are celebrating their Anniversary — Today)

"Let All the Nation Rejoice" — 1600 - Leisring - Denmark

The Lord's Prayer — Malotte — The Leslie Bell Singers

*RETROSPECT AND PROSPECT*

"The Master Plan"

Reverend Ray McCleary, M.B.E., D.D., Minister of Wood Green 1935 -

. . . "And What Shall We More Say —"

*THE HOUR OF ACCEPTANCE*

All stand in a moment of silent gratitude for the dedicated
and devoted generations of the former years 1875 - 1955, and
Act of personal commitment to the cause of Jesus Christ and His
Challenging Opportunities in the Wood Green Neighborhood
For 1955 .....

"I accept, God being my helper"

Massed Choirs Choral — "The Day Hath Now An Ending" — Innsbruck

Dawson Woodburn, *Conductor*

*HYMN*

"Blest be the Tie that Binds"

*THE BENEDICTION*

Reverend Noble Hatton, B.A., Sherbourne United Church

## *BLESSED ASSURANCE*

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
Born of His Spirit, washed in His Blood.

*Chorus*

This is my story, this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight,
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight!
Angels descending, bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

*Chorus: as above*

Perfect submission, all is at rest
I in my Saviour am happy and blest;
Watching and waiting, looking above,
Filled with His Goodness, lost in His love.

*Chorus: as above*

## *TRUST AND OBEY*

When we walk with the Lord, In the light of His Word
What a glory He sheds on our way
While we do His good will, He abides with us still
And with all who will trust and obey.

*Chorus*

Trust and obey, for there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

Not a shadow can rise, Not a cloud in the skies,
But his smile quickly drives it away;
Not a doubt nor a fear, Not a sigh nor a tear,
Can abide while we trust and obey.

*Chorus: as above*

Not a burden we bear, Not a sorrow we share,
But our toil He doth richly repay;
Not a grief nor a loss, Not a frown nor a cross,
But is blest if we trust and obey.

*Chorus: as above*

But we never can prove the delights of His love
Until all on the altar we lay;
For the favor He shows, and the joy He bestows
Are for them who will trust and obey.

*Chorus: as above*

Then in fellowship sweet We will sit at His feet,
Or we'll walk by His side in the way;
What He says we will do, Where He sends we will go,
Never fear, only trust and obey.

*Chorus: as above*

Let the Beauty of Jesus be seen in me
All His wonderful passion and purity
O Thou spirit divine all my nature refine
Let the beauty of Jesus be seen in me.

Be like Jesus this my song
In the home and in the throng,
Be like Jesus all day long
I would be like Jesus.

## *JESUS SHALL REIGN*

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Does his successive journeys run;
His Kingdom stretch from shore to shore
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

For Him shall endless prayer be made;
And praises throng to crown His head;
His Name like sweet perfume shall rise
With every morning sacrifice.

People and realms of every tongue
Dwell on His love with sweetest song;
And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on His Name.

Blessings abound where'er He reigns
The prisoner leaps to lose his chains;
The weary find eternal rest,
And all the sons of want are blest.

Let every creature rise and bring
Peculiar honours to our King;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the long Amen.

## *WHAT A FRIEND*

What a friend we have in Jesus
All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
Everything to God in pray'r!
O what peace we often forfeit,
O what needless pain we bear
All because we do not carry
Everything to God in pray'r!

Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged,
Take it to the Lord in pray'r.
Can we find a friend so faithful
Who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness,
Take it to the Lord in pray'r.

Are we weak and heavy laden,
Cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge,
Take it to the Lord in pray'r.
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
Take it to the Lord in pray'r.
In his arms He'll take and shield thee,
Thou wilt find a solace there.

## *FAITH OF OUR FATHERS*

Faith of our fathers! living still
In spite of dungeon, fire and sword,
O how our hearts beat high with joy
Whene'er we hear that glorious word!
Faith of our fathers! holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death!

Our fathers, chained in prisons dark,
Were still in heart and conscience free:
How sweet would be their children's fate,
If they, like them, could die for thee!
Faith of our fathers! holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death!

Faith of our fathers! we will love
Both friend and foe in all our strife:
And preach thee, too, as love knows how,
By kindly words and virtuous life:
Faith of our fathers! holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death!

## *BLEST BE THE TIE THAT BINDS*

Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above.

Before our Father's throne
We pour our ardent prayers:
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,
Our comforts and our cares.

We share each other's woes,
Each other's burdens bear;
And often for each other flows
The sympathizing tear.

When for awhile we part
This thought will soothe our pain,
That we shall still be joined in heart
And one day meet again.

One glorious hope revives
Our courage by the way;
While each in expectation lives
And longs to see the day.

When from all toil and pain
And sin we shall be free,
And perfect love and friendship reign
Though all eternity.

*The appearance of The Leslie Bell Singers and the Metropolitan Silver Band are permitted through the courtesy of the Toronto Musician Association, Local 149 — A. F. of M. — Thanks.*

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Dinner at 6.00 p.m. and 7.00 p.m.
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